State Board of Registration for Architects and Landscape Architects Indiana Government Center-South 402 West Washington Street, Room W064 Indianapolis, Indiana 46201

Minutes of January 11, 2012

Daniel Weinheimer, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. and declared a quorum in accordance with IC 25-4.

Members Present:

Dan Weinheimer, Chairperson

Jerome Eide David Rausch Debra Schmucker Leslie Smith Dale Stickel

Members Not Present:

Richard Fetz

Staff Present:

Christina Wiseley, Board Director (PLA)

Crystal Heard, Assistant Board Director (PLA)

Donna Sembroski, Deputy Attorney General (OAG)

ADOPTION OF AGENDA AND MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 9, 2011 MEETING



Board Action: Jerome Eide moved to adopt amended agenda and the minutes of the November 9, 2011 meeting. Debra Schmucker seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0-0.

OLD/NEW BUSINESS

Report from the Office of the Attorney General

Joseph Basile gave report to discuss the number of complaints filed with the Office of the Attorney General. These reports will be presented during every board meeting.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

Stuart Owsley (AR10500077 Positive Response)

Case summary:

Mr. Owsley spoke with the board telephonically. He was not represented by counsel, and chose to proceed. Mr. Owsley answered yes to one of the questions on the 2011 renewal. He was requested to appear before the board to discuss disciplinary action taken by the Kansas Board. The board determined the charges against Mr. Owsley by the Kansas board do not require additional action by the State of Indiana.

Board Action: Jerome Eide moved to reinstate Mr. Owsley's registration without penalty. David Rausch seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 5-0-0.

Gary Carpenter (LA80890012: Expired 12/01/1997)

Case summary:

Mr. Carpenter appeared before the board to discuss the reinstatement of his license. Mr. Carpenter admitted to stamping and sealing documents on an expired license, specifically, he stated that he had done master/site planning and residential work. Mr. Carpenter was proactive in notifying clients that his license was expired during the time he provided service. The board determined that Mr. Carpenter did perform unlicensed practice during the time that his license was expired. The board also determined that the length of time that Mr. Carpenter's license was expired must be considered, and that the board would like for the Office of the Attorney General to investigate the violation of practicing without a license so that the board may levy civil penalties against Mr. Carpenter.

Board Action: Les Smith moved to reinstate Mr. Carpenter's registration on indefinite probation without the right to petition the board for withdrawal of probation for a period of two (2) years and he must fulfill the following terms prior to withdrawal of probation:

- 1) Write an affidavit to the board identifying clients he serviced while his license was expired, and
- 2) Submit the required 24 hours of continuing education plus four (4) additional hours in Ethics. Dale Stickel seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 4-1-0. David Rausch opposed.

Richard Embers (AR10700123: Expired 12/01/2007)

Case summary:

Mr. Embers appeared before the board telephonically. He was not represented by counsel, and chose to proceed. Mr. Embers indicated that he worked on several projects in Indiana during the time that his Indiana license was expired. The board determined that Mr. Embers did perform unlicensed practice during the time that his license was expired.

Board Action: Jed Eide moved to reinstate Mr. Ember's registration on indefinite probation to petition the board for withdrawal of probation until he has fulfilled the following terms:

- 1) Write a letter to the customers for which he worked on an expired license to inform them that he was not licensed at the time of his employment with them;
- 2) Submit the letter to the board for approval, making any changes determined necessary by the board until the letter is approved by the board; and
- 3) Provide proof of having sent the letter to his customers.

David Rausch seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0-0.

ADMINSTRATIVE HEARINGS

Robin Helton is the court reporter for all administrative hearings for this meeting.

Lawrence Goldworm BRALA 11-06

Case Summary:

Mr. Goldworm appeared before the board to discuss his denied application for licensure. Mr. Goldworm indicated that part of the reason of the denial of his license was due to the board not having his full work history and basing the decision on him not having graduated with a degree in Architectural Design. Mr. Goldworm provided extensive documentation indicating that he meets the licensing requirements for an Indiana Architect registration.

Board Action: Jed Eide moved to overturn the Board's original decision and allow Mr. Goldworm licensure in the state of Indiana. David Rausch seconded the motion. The motion carried with a vote of 5-0-0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

The board reviewed the Architect/Landscape Architect Verification of Employment form and the Indiana Architect Reference Form and determined that they collect substantially equivalent information. Therefore, the board decided to allow applicants to use only Verification of Employment as both a reference and employment verification form. Staff is to change the title of form to include "Reference".

Incoming NCARB President, Mike Armstrong, and staff members Kathy Hillegas and Derek Haese presented NCARB's Continuing Education Model Law to the Board. The presentation touched on the number of other states that have adopted the model law in their states and the potential benefits to registrants and the Board if the Board were to adopt the model law into Indiana rules. The current rule requires that an active registrant must obtain twenty-four (24) hours of continuing education in a two-year renewal cycle, of which sixteen (16) hours must be in the areas of public health, safety, and welfare. The model law would require a registrant to obtain twelve (12) hours of continuing education each calendar year and require that all twelve (12) hours be in the areas of public health, safety, and welfare. The board asked several questions about the model law to determine if the model law would be practical and beneficial for Indiana. There was no determination made at this meeting. The topic will be discussed in-depth at the next meeting so that the Board can make a determination on whether to amend the current continuing education rules to include the model law requirements.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Dan Weinheimer,

Chairman